



PROPOSED RULE-MAKING  
(RCW 34.05.320)

CR-102 (7/23/95)

Agency: Public Disclosure Commission

- ☒ Original Notice  
☐ Supplemental Notice  
to WSR \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Continuance of WSR  
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Preposal Statement of inquiry was filed as WSR 01-03-161; or

☐ Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4).

(a) Title of rule (Describe Subject):

WAC 390-16-105 Abbreviated campaign reporting – Eligibility.

**Purpose:** To outline the circumstances and dollar thresholds under which a candidate and /or political committee is eligible to use a reporting option other than full reporting.

**Other identifying information:**

(b) Statutory authority for adoption:

RCW 42.17.370(1)

Statute being implemented:

RCW 42.17.370

(c) **Summary:** RCW 42.17.370(8) authorizes the Commission to relieve, by rule, candidates or political committees of obligations to comply with the provisions of chapter 42.17 RCW. This rule eliminates the Abbreviated campaign reporting option and replaces it with a single Mini campaign reporting option. It clarifies under what circumstances a candidate or political committee would be eligible to select the new Mini reporting option and increases the threshold dollar amounts for Mini Reporting.

**Reasons supporting proposal:**

The rule would clarify and simplify the reporting requirements for candidates and political committees who choose to file campaign finance reports under the Mini reporting option.

(d) Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for:

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(e) Name of proponent (person or organization):

Public Disclosure Commission

- ☐ Private  
☐ Public  
☒ Governmental

(f) Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters: None

(g) Is rule necessary because of:

Federal Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Citation:
Federal Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
State Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

(h) Hearing location:

Commission Hearing Room  
Evergreen Plaza Building  
711 Capitol Way, Room 206  
Olympia, WA

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DATE OF INTENDED ADOPTION:

April 24, 2001

Date: April 24, 2001

Time: 9:00 a.m.

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**(j) Short explanation of rule, its purpose, and anticipated effects:**

The rule would eliminate the Abbreviated reporting option for candidates and political committees and replace it with a Mini reporting option that increases the threshold dollar amounts from \$2,000 to \$3,500 and increases the maximum contribution amounts from \$200 to \$300. The rule also exempts candidate filing fees paid for by a bona fide political party committee from the contribution aggregate threshold.

**Does proposal change existing rules:**      **X**    **YES**                      **NO**                      If yes, describe changes:

Simplifies and streamlines the campaign reporting option for persons who qualify for less than full reporting.

**(k) Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW?**

☐ **YES. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement.**  
A copy of the statement may be obtained by writing to:

**X**      **NO. Explain why no statement was prepared.**

The implementation of this rule does not impact small businesses.

**(l) Does section 201, chapter 403, Laws of 1995, apply to this rule adoption?**      ☐ **Yes**                      **X**    **No**  
**Please explain:**

The PDC is not an agency listed in subsection (5)(a)(i) of section 201. Further, the PDC does not voluntarily make section 201 applicable to this rule adoption pursuant to subsection (5)(a)(ii) of section 201, and to date JARRC has not made section 201 applicable to this rule adoption.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 86-04-071 filed 2/5/86)

WAC 390-16-105 ~~((Abbreviated))~~ **Mini campaign reporting -- Eligibility.** (1) ~~((No))~~ A candidate or candidate's authorized committee ~~((and no political committee))~~, as those terms are defined in RCW 42.17.020, shall not be required to comply with the provisions of RCW 42.17.060 ~~((-))~~ through 42.17.090 except as otherwise prescribed in WAC 390-16-038, 390-16-115, 390-16-120 and 390-16-125 when neither ~~((the))~~ aggregate contributions nor ~~((the))~~ aggregate expenditures exceed the amount of the candidate's filing fee provided by law plus a sum not to exceed ~~((two))~~ three thousand five hundred dollars and no contribution or contributions from any ~~((source))~~ person other than the candidate ~~((s personal resources))~~ within such aggregate exceed ~~((s))~~ ~~((two))~~ three hundred dollars. However, a bona fide political party may pay the candidate's filing fee provided by law without that payment disqualifying that candidate from eligibility under this section.

(2) A political committee, as that term is defined in RCW 42.17.020, shall not be required to comply with the provisions of RCW 42.17.060 through 42.17.090 except as otherwise prescribed in WAC 390-16-038, 390-16-115, 390-16-120 and 390-16-125 when neither aggregate contributions nor aggregate expenditures exceed three thousand five hundred dollars and no contribution or contributions from any person exceed three hundred dollars.

(3) ~~((No))~~ A continuing political committee, as that term is defined in RCW 42.17.020, shall not be required to comply with the provisions of RCW 42.17.060 through 42.17.090 except as otherwise prescribed in WAC 390-16-038, 390-16-115, 390-16-120 and 390-16-125 when neither ~~((the))~~ aggregate contributions nor ~~((the))~~ aggregate expenditures during a calendar year exceed ~~((two))~~ three thousand five hundred dollars and no contribution or contributions from any person exceed ~~((two))~~ three hundred dollars.